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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Present Application:

Applicants : William Butler Cowden et al.
Title : USE OF COXIELLA BACTERIA TO TREAT AUTOIMMUNE
DISEASE
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Prior Application:

Examiner : S. Devi, Ph.D.
Art Unit : 1645
Application No. : 09/142,597

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Washington, DC 20231

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-5, 6-8, 15-18 and 19-21.

Remarks

Claims 9-14 and 22-28 are pending in the instant case. Claims 1-5, 6-8, 15-18 and 19-21 have been cancelled as these claims are being prosecuted or are dependent on the prosecuted claims in co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/142,597.

The above-identified application is a continuation of pending U.S. Application No. 09/142,597, filed March 5, 1999, which application was a conversion into the U.S. from PCT/AU97/00161 under 35 U.S.C. 371.

The specification has been modified to include the section headings and page margins as required by the U.S. Patent Office. Spelling errors have also been corrected in the modified version. Applicants assert that all changes made have been of a superficial nature and were made in order to comply with U.S. Patent Office regulations.

Applicants have added no new matter in this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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